"tion, as it is put, can elicit only the answer that has been given. If there are other items, individual items of how~a particular industry has gone sick, they can be gone into; they have been gone into. There is no question of the Government being unaware of it. As a result o£ all these matters taken together and considering how these things can be put right, certain reforms have been considered and they are coming before the House in the next one or two days. MOU has been referred to. The MOU also was one of the features, one of the measures CDntemplated in this regard. I have just asked the department to tell me how it is working in the form in which it was passed. And if there has been any lapse anywhere, on th» part of the Government or on the part of the industry, we will put it right. If the MOU itself needs correction, if the conceptualisation of the MOU itself was defective, then we will go into that, Sir. It has hardly functioned for two years or one and a half years. *(Interruptions).*

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Mr. Mishra's supplementary emanated from part (d) of the question. *(Interruptions)* .

MR. CHAIRMAN: He is just suggesting that these are some of the losses because of these factors. *(Interruption).*

SHRI P. V. NARASIMHARAO: That is agreed. The losses suffered by the coal industry are there. *(Interruptions.* The losses suffered by the electricity boards are there The losses suffered by all these interconnected institutions are there. We have gone into them.

MR. CHAIRMAN: But he says that these losses which are shown should not be there because of these factors.

SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO: Yes, Sir. I agree that they should not be there. They will have to be minimised. They will have to be eliminated. All these things have been gone into.

श्री चतुरानन मिश्र : प्राइम मिनिस्टर से हमारा यह अनुरोध था....(व्यवधान) पहले जरा सुन लीजिए....(व्यवधान) हम फैक्ट्स की बात कर रहे हैं....(व्यवधान)

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: These are individual items. No Government can give a reply under one question. (InterruptionsJ,.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: The question was about a White Paper on the industrial policy.

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: I am asking neither for a White. I Paper nor for a Black Paper. I am am asking for facts. Please ascertain facts. Say that the Government is equipped or is not equipped. *(Interruptions)* .

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question No. 82. (Interruptions). I have called Question No. 82.

Leakage of civil services (1991) Examination Papers

82.'SHRI"CHIMANBHAIMEHTA :f

SHRI SHANKAR DAYAL SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recent news reports appearing in the press to the effect that a number of papers for the Civil Services Examination were leaked out and these were sold openly;

fThe question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Chimanbhai Mehta.

(b) whether Government have made any investigations regarding the persons involved in them, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether several student organisations have demanded scrapping of the examination, if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): (a) Govt, have seen the Press reports regarding the leakage of question papers of Civil Services (Prel.) Examination, 1991.

(b) Yes, Sir. At the request of the UPSC, the Govt, advised the CBI to investigate the matter. Investigation by the CBI is still in progress. Some suspects have been apprehended by the CBI in the course of their investigation.

(c) The Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination. 1991 hsld on 9-6-91 has since been cancelled by the UPSC.

SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Sir, our Civil Services are prestigious institutions and leakages of papers is a very sensitive matter. I know that our current Minister when she was not a Minister, from the AICC office, demanded stern action for the leakages that were done last year also. Now they have cancelled the examination and some suspects have been apprehended. Sir, the story is that papers were sold openly. Quotations were there from Rs. 25,000 to Rs. 50,000. By the next day, the examination was not canclled. It was after a lot of protest in the newspapers that the' examination got cancelled. Anyway, it is good that it was cancelled. But this is what is happening. Therefore, I want to know from the Minister whether they have found out »iv was of oreventing leakages because here the question comes, where it was printed. What is the source of leakages? I am not asking the names at the moment because you are holding a CBI enquiry. But i you have apprehended some persons. JTou can give some names because then some linkages can be established and we know that suspected persons are suspects till they are declared guilty. You should give the names. We can also assist in finding out what exactly is the racket going on. Are you going to have any reform in this examination system?

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: Sir, it was referred informally to the IB and the preliminary report was received by the Government but because action had to be taken, it was then to be referred to the CBL an FIR was filed with the CBI so that the necessary arrest could be made. The preliminary report has shown that in 1990-91 the leakage took place in the press which has also been identified. I will give you the details.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: I hope, it is not printed in the same press.

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: No, it is not. I assure you. It was at the captive press in Ranchi where the leakage took place this year and it has been found also that there were leakages in four subjects out of the 22. I would also like to mention here that eight arrests have already "been made and further investigation is going on. It has also been establish- ed that there was linkage between a couple of employees in the press and the psotmaster of the post office which was located in the same premises through which the question papers used to be sent out. But this is still being investigated. I can also say that the question of reforming the examination system and ensuring that such leakages do not take place is already under consideration and we will be grateful if he could also give us some suggestions in this regard because he has also been a Minister for Education looking after examinations and other things.

SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Sir, , My question is about reforming the examination system. It is a very crucial question. Just now I have been hearing that you are considering the reforms. Would you be able to say at what level you are doing, whether the officers are handling this issue, whether the educationists are handling this issue, how it is being done? These leakages have a scandal.

I am not going into the details. Therefore, can you finish this re-examination and come out with concrete suggestions some time in the near future?

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: Sir, j this is a suggestion for examination seforms. All of us are concerned about them and I can assure the Members that we will do whatever is possible within the time.

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : मान्यवर, अभी तक स्कूलों और कालिजों के पर्चे लीक हुआ करते थे । हम लोगों ने यह भी सुना था कि छोटी-छोटी परीक्षाओं के पर्चे बिकते भी हैं लेकिन भारत के इतिहास में जैसे कई बातें पहली बार अभूतपूर्व ढंग से देखने में आयी हैं वैसे ही पिछली सरकार में यह बात देखने में आयी है । पहली बार संघ लोक सेवा आयोग के प्रश्न पत्र लीक हुए । क्योंकि पिछली सरकार कोई सरकार नहीं थी इसलिए उसको कुछ माफ किया जा सकता है ।...

श्रीमती मनोरमा पाण्डेय : बिहार में तो लालू की सरकार है (**व्यवधान**)

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : मनोरमा जी अभी तो पिछली सरकार की बात कर रहा हूं, आप कहेंगी तो वर्तमान सरकार पर भी आ जाऊंगा । आप चुप रहिये । क्योंकि पिछली सरकार कोई सरकार नहीं थी इसलिए उस पर मैं कुछ कह कर समय बर्बाद नहीं करता । लेकिन वर्तमान सरकार जिसे मैं गम्भीर सरकार मानता हूं और मोरेलिटी के साथ बनी हुई सरकार समझता हूं उसके प्रधान मंत्री हमारे सामने बैठे हुए हैं उनसे मैं सीधा प्रश्न पूछना चाहता हूं कि बजट जब लीक होता है तो उसका उत्तरदायित्व फाइनेंस मिनिस्टर अपने ऊपर लेते हैं और रेल की कोई दुर्घटना होती है—छोटी या बड़ी—उसका उत्तरदायित्व रेल मंत्री अपने ऊपर लेते हैं, लेकिन इतना बड़ा जो लीकेज हुआ है यू०पी०एस०सी० से उसका उत्तरदायित्व संघ लोक सेवा आयोग ने, यू. पी. एस.सी. के चेयरमैन ने या किसी और मेम्बर ने अपने ऊपर नहीं लिया । उन्होंने कहा कि प्रेस ने किया है और प्रेस ने कहा कि पोस्ट आफिस ने किया है, जैसा कि अखबारों में आया है । लेकिन उस दिन का अखबार मेरे हाथ में है जो साफ कहता है कि पर्चे संघ लोक सेवा आयोग के मुख्यालय से लीक हुए 9 जून को । 9 जून के अखबारों में से यह खबर आई है । 10 जून के अखबारों में आया है कि पर्चे संघ लोक सेवा आयोग के मुख्यालय से लीक हुए । दैनिक हिंदुस्तान जो प्रतिष्ठित पत्र है, में पढ़ रहा हूं । इसमें लिखा है: "भारतीय प्रशासनिक सेवा यानी आई० ए० एस० के पर्चे संघ लोक सेवा आयोग के मुख्यालय से लीक हुए यह जानकारी विश्वस्त सूत्रों ने दी हैं । विश्वस्त सूत्रों के अनुसार पर्चे 15 दिन पूर्व ही आयोग के मुख्यालय से लीक हो गये थे : सर्वप्रथम ये पर्चे आई०आई०टी० शिवालय छात्रावास, जे०एन० यू० परिसर के छात्रावास और दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के जुबली हाल छात्रावास में बेचे गये।"

मैं सरकार से यह कहना चाहता हूं कि 15 दिन पहले जब यह खबर थी कि पर्चे लीक हुए, बिक रहे हैं तो इस पर संघ लोक सेवा आयोग ने क्यों नहीं कोई कार्रवाई की ? दूसरे यह कि जब ऐसी बातों की जवाबदेही कोई न कोई लेता है तो आज तक संघ लोक सेवा आयोग के चेयरमैन या किसी सदस्य ने इसकी जवाबदेही लेकर क्यों नहीं त्यागपत्र दिया ? तीसरे यह कि जिनके खिलाफ आप इंक्वायरी कर रहे हैं वे अभी तक यू०पी० एस०सी० में बैठे हुए हैं, तो कैसे यह होगा ? मैं सरकार से तीनों प्रश्नों के उत्तर जानना चाहूंगा कि आप यू०पी० एस०सी० के चेयरमैन और सभी सदस्यों को हटाकर इंक्वायरी करायें, यह जरूरी है । दूसरे परीक्षार्थियों का भविष्य समाप्त

न हो इसलिए यू०पी०एस०सी० के एग्जामिनेशन की तिथि सरकार जल्दी से जल्दी निर्धारित करे । इस संबंध में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है यह मैं जानना चाहता हूं ।

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: Sir, I can assure the hon. Member that the dates for the examinations which will be held in September, will be announced in a couple of days. The availability of the centres was being clarified because of the change and I am sure within the next two or three days the new dates will be announced. Sir, as far as fixing of the responsibility is concerned, I agree with the hon'ble Member that the leak took place during the previous Government and a lot of things happened in the last two years for which he cannot hold me responsible. *(Interruptions) ...I* can tell him that the Chairman was also apopinted by them and the matter arose during their time and I can only say that the CBI investigation is still on and the final report of the investigation has to be available before we can fix the responsibility. The FIR lias been filed, examinations have been cancelled and the new dates will be announced shortly.

डा० रामाकर पाण्डेय यू०पी०एस०सी० की बोर्ड एकाउंटेबिलिटी है या नहीं ? आप यू०पी०एस०सी० के चेयरमैन को रिजेक्ट करने जा रहे है या नहीं ?

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : आपको यू०पी० एस०सी० के चेयरमैन को हटाना चाहिए . (व्यवधान)

SHRI M. VINCENT: Mr. Chairman, Sir, I want to know whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the fact that the questionpapers of civil service examination, banking examination, etc., have been sold in some shops in and around Ranchi and blaces like Delhi well before the date of the examination C'PT the last three years. It may not be out of place tc mention here that the proportion of IAS entrants from south, particularly from Tamil Nadu, has considerably dropped for the last three years. Therefore, will the Minister assure that such leakage will not occur again so that the bright future of the brilliant students of the south is not hampered? *(Interruptions) ...*

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: Sir, I would like to assure the hon'ble ,, Member that if less candidates are appearing from a particular State and if the nercenta?" goes down it is not because of leakages, but, perhaps, because there are other avenues open to the students which they are taking and I can certainly assure the hon'ble Member that I have got with me the statistics Centre-wise, State-wise, for the last five years. It was said that certain cities like Patna and Delhi had gained some kind of an advantage because of the leakages and I have got with me the all-India average as against the average of the different centres and I can assure the Members that over the last four or fivp vears. from 19R6 to 1990 there has been no jump of any kind as far as Patna and Dplhi are concerned as comoared with the previous years and. therefore, the feeling that this has given an advantage of some kind to some State or some centres is not correct.

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श्री अजीत जोगी : सभापति महोदय, हमारे की बात है कि राष्ट्र में सबसे कम से संख्या के लिए ए पास लोगों का लिखकर रह गया है । यू पी एस सी. का जो अखिल भारतीय स्तरहै वह जो परीक्षाएँ लेता है उस पर लोगों का विश्वास बना हुआ था, लेकिन यह जो घटना नई है, दुर्भाग्य से उसने यह भी दर गया है । इसलिए मैं यह जानना चाहूंगा कि जब यह बात सामने आ गई है कि किसी पेपर में लीकेज के कारण ये पर्चे लीक हुआ है या सामने कम से कम उससे पहले यह सुनिश्चित करें कि यू पी एस सी. का स्वतः पर पेपर हो, ताकि उसे छापने के लिए पर्चे बाहर न भेजने

पड़ और गोपनीयता भंग बने रहे। दूसरी बात मैं यह भी जानना चाहूंगा कि मंत्री महोदया ने कहा कि पूरी परीक्षा व्यवस्था पर पुनर्विचार किया जा रहा है, इसलिए क्या वे सदन को विश्वास में लेकर बताएंगी कि किस तरह की नई व्यवस्था के विषय में शासन सोच रहा है और किस तरह की नई परीक्षा व्यवस्था लागू की जा रही है, इस पर प्रकाश डाला जाय।

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are you getting a press for UPSC?

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: Yes, Sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Can you give the details if it is under your consideration?

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: Sir, there are three suggestions made. One is to change the press immediately. Second is, if possible, to have a UPSC press a secret press — where the printing can take place. But during this time we were also told to inform all the other departments who were also printing their papers that there was a possibility of a leak because this had happened in this examination. Therefore, counter-checks were taken with all the other papers which were also being printed. It would be difficult for me to come and explain any new secret procedures which are going to be adopted because that would itself make it possible for these procedures to be broken Whatever the new procedures, you will sympathise with us and say they would have to be kent secret to ensure that they are not known so that somebody doesn't go and find a way out of getting at those sources.

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : शंकरदयाल सिंह जी ने पिछली सरकार की बात की। मैं पिछली से पिछली की बात करता हूं।...(व्यवधान)..क्या मंत्री महोदया को....

श्री सभापति: अभी आप थुंगन जी पर ऐतराज कर रहे थे और अब आप भी पीछे चले जा रहे हैं। ...(व्यवधान)

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : वह उसकी पिछली की पिछली से पिछली की भी होंगी।...(व्यवधान)..क्या मंत्री महोदय...

श्री सभापति: आप काम की बात कीजिये। पीछे जाने में क्या फायदा। आप आगे चलें।

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : क्या मंत्री महोदया को मालूम है कि पिछले से पिछले इम्तहान में भी, 1989–90 के इम्तहान में भी लीकेज हुआ था और उसका मुकदमा आज इलाहाबाद हाई कोर्ट में है। तो मेरा सवाल यह है नं. एक कि 1989-90 के इम्तहान में भी लीकेज की खबरें छपी थी और जिसके आधार पर मुकदमा चल रहा है तो क्या सरकार ने या यू.पी.एस.सी. ने कोई ऐसा कदम उठाया है जिससे आगे लीकेज न हो? इसका दूसरा हिस्सा यह है कि यदि हाई कोर्ट फैसला आपके खिलाफ देता है और लीकेज साबित होता है तो इस विषय में आप क्या करेंगे?

श्रीमती मारग्रेट आल्वा : सर मैं यही कहना चाहती थी कि पिछली जो दो सरकारें थीं तब बहुत कुछ चीजें हुई जिसके लिये मैं उत्तर नहीं दे सकती हूं। ...(व्यवधान) 1990 की बात जो आप बोल रहे हैं उसके लिये मैं कह रही हूं।...(व्यवधान)...

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: But what hapened during our regime?

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: We don't expect Ministers to be casual in their remarks.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Leakages are happening not only now but all through the period, for the last many years You are now identifying 'a Government' in this

matter. Leakages have been there during many periods. No action has been taken.

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: I am answering the honourable Member. The honourable Member has said that it is not only during the last Government but during the previous Government also the same thing happened. All I have said is I am not responsible for what happened during those Governments. Let me only add, I agree with you.....

SHRl M S. GURUPADASWAMY: She is indulging in insinuations. I me only add, I agree with you...

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: I am only answering repeating what the honourable Member said. I am only saving this that the matter is pending in the Allahabad High Court and I can assure the Member that we will go by the decision of the High Court. It is pending in the court.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: You have not answered my earlier question. I am not concerned with whose iGovernment it was. Government is a continuous process.

यह मुझे मालूम नहीं है कि आपको थी या नहीं थी। मेरा कहना यह है कि 1989-90 में भी लीकेज हुआ और जैसा कि विरोधी दल के नेता ने कहा है उससे पहले भी ऐसा होता रहा है। तो इसकी रोकथाम के लिये सरकार ने कोई कदम उठाया या नहीं या यू.पी. एस.सी. से कहा कि इसके बारे में आपको कुछ करना चाहिये? मैं विरोधी दल के नेता से सहमत हूं कि यह इस बार ही नहीं हुआ, बल्कि ऐसा बहुत पहले से होता आ रहा है।

So what have you done? I am not concerned as to whose Government it was.

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: The 1980 examinations are pending in the court. Students have gone to the court. We are awaiting the final decision of the court.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Did you know that there were leakages earlier, and, if so, what steps taken by the then Government?

SMT. MARGARET ALVA: I would ask: Why the previous Government did not take action when there was a laakage, why are you asking me today?

Show-cause notice to Pepsi

*83. SHRl DIPEN GHOSH: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news report which appeared in the Financial Express dated 1st May, 1991, under the caption "Pepsi served sho*,v-cause notice";

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that a show cause notice has been issued to Pepsi, as Pepsi has crossed its soft drink concentrate production limit of 25 per cent, as per the foreign collaboration/Industrial license conditon;

(c) if so, whether Government have stopped production in Pepsi's soft drink concentrate plant; and

(d) if not, the reasons for not taking action against Pepsi for violations of conditions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Acocrding to the conditions stipulated in the Letter of latent/Foreign Collaboration Approval, the turn-over from soft drink concentrate manufactured by the company shall in no year exceed 25 per cent of the toal turn-over of the